



Patricia Jursik *Update*

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COUNTY ASSIGNMENTS:

Economic &
Community Development,
Chair

Finance, Personnel
& Audit

Transportation,
Public Works &
Transit

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Lake Parkway Extension
Advisory Committee,
Chair

Aging & Disability Resource
Center (ADRC) Governing
Board

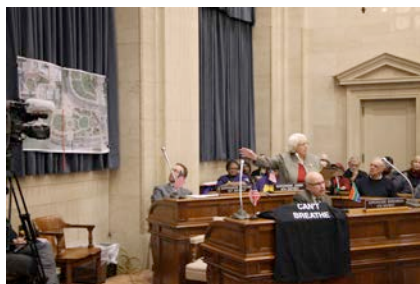
Milwaukee County Research
Park Corporation Board

Milwaukee Gateway
Aerotropolis Corporation

It's Couture Yes, O'Donnell No

While the County Executive and many commentators linked the two county lakefront parcels together as part of the development of the lakefront, it is my opinion that the County Board got this right. Here is a summary of the two actions taken by the board, but simply stated: We sell surplus land, but the county does not sell parkland.

O'DONNELL PARK



The Board defeated the county executive's action to sell O'Donnell Park to Northwestern Mutual (NM) on a vote of 8 to 9, with my vote against. While each supervisor had various reasons for their own vote, I will state my own: The county does not sell parkland, much less lakefront parkland. While I was willing to entertain the sale of a parking garage, NM's position was that it did not want to be encumbered with anything less than full ownership.

Let me be clear about numerous misconceptions. O'Donnell's use was not going to change under the NM proposal, it was still going to be used as a parking garage. The misnomer that this was going to be part of a new lakefront development is not true. While it is true that the county executive's management of the public plaza has been less than stellar, the park was still going to remain a plaza only under private ownership and management. While many argued that NM would do better in "activating" the space, it also meant violating the deed restriction prohibiting sale to a private party, at least for the north portion of the park. NM was asked to

retain the public use of the entire plaza, north and south in negotiations, but NM refused to protect the southeastern portion, the lakefront piece.

Going forward, several supervisors including myself have vowed to bring legislation to bring better management to the garage and realize better use of the public space. Why not a beer garden on this lakefront land? It seems like the perfect place for one. Keep the lights on, change burned out bulbs, pull the weeds and plant flowers in the planters. Simple requests can do quite a bit to make this space look inviting again. Why was this space allowed to look unkempt? I refer you to the County Executive for his response.

COUTURE:

This is a new development on the current Transit Center parcel sitting on the corner of Michigan Avenue and Lincoln Memorial Drive. Over one year ago, the county board declared this parcel surplus since it never realized its potential as a transit center. Rick Barrett was chosen from several RFI proposals (Request for Information) and is the developer of the Moderne and the Oak Creek Town Center projects. Barrett has gained respect in the community for working with trades, doing workforce development on his projects and including good disadvantaged business enterprise participation. He has promised to employ at least 40% of the workers building his project from Milwaukee County. While I have been critical of the County Executive for not using a formal RFP (Request for Proposal) on this important lakefront development, Rick Barrett's willingness to work with these diverse interests won me over in allowing this to go forward with just the RFI process. Compromise is the art of knowing how to get a good result for the county and Barrett's Couture displayed this art.

The Board insisted that the county honor its duty in protecting Public Trust Land. While a messy process took place regarding creation of a statutory definition of this "line", legislators created an imaginary line for the lake bed using clandestine legislation thrown into the last biennial budget only to be later renewed as legislation with "public hearings", but never in Milwaukee, the very locale of this Theater of the Absurd. (I need not be critical of this process since it speaks for itself). After all of this, Barrett could not obtain Title Insurance to do this project. After losing an entire year, the position of the County Board prevailed: To do this project, the county must first apply to the court to provide fact finding and render a judgment on whether any of this property must be preserved for the public. This litigation was filed in the last week of December and my newsletter will report on this process going forward. Subject to this litigation, the Board approved the Couture project on a vote of 14-4 with my vote in the affirmative.

The Couture will include public transportation, whether buses or light rail, a public plaza, shops and a multi-story tower with apartments. The project will rival some of the tallest buildings in the skyline and will feature a white clad exterior to honor the Art Museum, Cudahy towers and other lake front gems.



Board Approves Sale of Transit Site for Development of Couture

The Transit Center is an underutilized building at the lakefront. Unlike the O'Donnell park/plaza with parking garage, which is heavily used and preserves a significant view at the end of Wisconsin Avenue, the Transit Center never realized the original vision. The Couture was redesigned to include a transit hub at the lakefront while providing shopping, a public park and other amenities to draw public interest. With the redesign, the county would not be required to return transit dollars used to create the site.

The City of Milwaukee will create a Tax Incremental Financing (TIF) District to capture the increment created by the improvement to construct public walkways and bridges connecting many of the county-owned lands at the lakefront. While the county will only be paid \$500,000 for this site, it receives significant value in these public amenities connecting our county institutions and park lands which will be paid out of this TIF. The developer will also be required to pay for demolition estimated at about \$2 million.



Southridge Bus Stop Update

Construction of the new stops has not begun yet. At this time, Southridge is working to obtain design documents for MCTS to review before the actual construction activities begin, as we need to make sure that the new bus stops will be ADA compliant and functional from a service provision perspective.

In addition, Southridge and MCTS have mutually agreed that it will be most appropriate to begin serving the new bus stops on January 18, 2015, when new bus schedules for the routes serving

Southridge become effective. The January target date will help to minimize negative impacts on route schedule adherence that an earlier implementation would have caused, and it provides for a design review and construction schedule that should be able to be implemented



I was honored to participate in the Hunger Task Force and WISN12 Thanksgiving telethon held on November 26, 2014.

Through generous donations the telethon raised over \$84,000 to fight hunger this holiday season. Donations are raised to support programs in our community and throughout Southeastern Wisconsin. Hunger Task Force has 7 network partners in District 8 alone, which received over \$470,000 in resources from Hunger Task Force last year. Hunger Task Force will continue to provide support to these programs throughout this holiday season and the upcoming New Year.

Thanks to all who volunteered their time and to all who donated through a phone pledge on behalf of those less fortunate than ourselves.



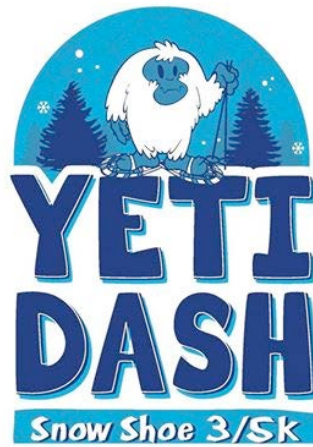


On December 18, 2014, at the Milwaukee County Board meeting, the St. Francis Police Department and other contributing individuals were publically recognized as recipients of the National Night Out Category 5 1st Place award. St. Francis National Night Out is a huge success every year and those responsible deserve a to be acknowledged for their dedication to keeping St. Francis a safe and wonderful place to work, play, live and raise a family. Thank you to St. Francis Police Chief Brian Kaebisch, Officer Dimitri Kamolov, Officer Shane Czerniakowski, Milwaukee County SWAT Commander Tobie Weberg and St. Francis Alderman & Council President Donald Brickner for attending and accepting the proclamation/citation on behalf of the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors.



Exercise Station at Warnimont Park

The Second Annual GENERATIONS OF PRIDE event will be held on Wednesday, January 28, 2015 at St. Francis Brewery (3825 S. Kinnickinnic Ave. St. Francis) from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. It will feature cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, and food stations. Please contact St. Luke South Shore for tickets at give.aurora.org/generationsofpride or contact Elaine Maly at 414-219-7827. This year money is being raised for an exercise station in Warnimont Park near the Kelly Center and across Lake Drive from the hospital. This is an exciting project for our South Shore and I am pleased to be named one of the Project Champions.



**Yeti Dash, premiere snowshoe 3/5K in Wisconsin, is baaaack!
Even better route this year along the new scenic bluff trails along
Lake Michigan will be one to remember!
Save the date and tell your friends.**

Saturday, February 7th

Tickets available at www.cudahy.k12.wi.us

More information forthcoming



The Family Life Center

Of Saint Stephen Congregation

These are FREE on-going playgroups for children ages 6 months to 6 years for parents and children to come together, play and do fun learning activities. Professionals from Curative Care Network are available to answer your child development questions. Come play at one or both locations! No registration necessary.

PLAYGROUPS

CUDAHY LIBRARY GROUP

3500 Library Drive - Ladish Room
2nd and 4th Friday of each month
Time: 10:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.
Leader: Gail Kolvenbach
January 9, 23 April 10, 24
February 13, 27 May 8, 22
March 13, 27

OAK CREEK LIBRARY PLAYGROUP

Oak Creek Library
8620 S. Howell Ave. - Community Room
1st and 3rd Friday of each month
Time: 10:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.
Leader: Gail Kolvenbach
January 16 April 17
February 6, 20 May 1, 15
March 6, 20

KNIT ONE & CROCHET TOO

Dates: Thursdays - Beginning January 8
Time: 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Place: Family Life Center
Cost: FREE - donations of yarn are appreciated
Join this ongoing group of beginners & experienced needle-workers.

SHEEPSHEAD CARD PLAYING

Date: 2nd Thursday of the Month:
January 8, February 12, March 12, April 9, May 14
Time: 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Place: Family Life Center
Cost: FREE. Beverages included, bring a snack to share. Join in the "trick-taking" card game. Open to all. Please call 762-0552 to sign up.

FREE TAX PROGRAM

This mission of the tax programs is to provide free basic tax return preparation for low-to-moderate income and elderly taxpayers. Come for this 30- 45 minute talk on places to go for free tax help, what to do and what to bring.
Date: Thursday, January 15, 2015
Time: 11:00 a.m.
Place: Family Life Center
Presenter: Jim Walgrave, AARP Foundation Tax-Aide

FABULOUS FISH FRY

Fridays in Lent: February 20, February 27, March 6, March 13, March 20, March 27, April 3
Time: 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
St. Stephen Catholic Church, 1441 W. Oakwood Road, Oak Creek
A great meal that includes: Fried Cod, Baked Cod or Fried Shrimp; Steak Fries, Parsley Buttered Potatoes or Potato Salad; Cole Slaw, Rye Bread; Coffee or Milk and Dessert.

Impact 211: BRINGS PEOPLE AND SERVICES TOGETHER

Need help? Text your ZIP Code to TXT-211 [898-211] and IMPACT 2-1-1 will respond promptly.
www.impactinc.org/impact-2-1-1 if you want to Live Chat.
Call 211 or 1-866-211-3380 for information and referrals.



I-794 LAKE FREEWAY CONSTRUCTION: HALFWAY ‘HOAN’

Construction on the I-794 Lake Freeway / Hoan Bridge Project is about to reach the halfway point. Despite a frigid winter, crews were able to stay on schedule and are nearing completion of the eastbound (southbound) leg of the I-794 Lake Freeway / Hoan Bridge Project. In early December, the project will officially transition to the second and final stage of construction with an intended completion date of Fall 2015.

During Stage 2 of the I-794 Lake Freeway / Hoan Bridge Project, bidirectional traffic will be placed in the eastbound (southbound) lanes of I-794, from a temporary crossover south of Carferry Drive. Traffic will remain in this configuration for the remainder of the project. To maintain as much access as possible during construction, other new configurations will include:

- Closing the Jackson Street / Van Buren exit ramp and transforming it into an entrance ramp to I-794 West (North)
- Opening the Broadway entrance ramp to I-794 East (South)
- Utilizing temporary roadways
- Continued use of the moveable barrier wall to maintain two lanes of traffic during peak travel times

As seen during Stage 1, periodic updates will continue to be sent throughout the project to remind motorists of upcoming closures, detour routes and other project related impacts. The project team appreciates your patience and understanding during this time of intense construction in your area.

FROM THE WEST:

- I-94 East to James Lovell Street/St. Paul Avenue exits
- I-94 East to 13th Street exit to St. Paul Avenue or Clybourn Street/Tory Hill Street
- I-94 East to I-43 North to Kilbourn Avenue Tunnel exit
- I-94 East to I-43 North to McKinley/Fond du Lac Avenue exit

TO THE WEST:

- Lincoln Memorial Drive entrance ramp to I-794 West to I-94 West
- Jackson Street entrance ramp to I-794 West to I-94 West
- Clybourn Street west to 6th Street entrance ramp to I-94 West
- Michigan Street west to 11th Street entrance ramp to I-94 West

FROM THE NORTH:

- I-43 South to I-794 East (SB) to Plankinton Avenue
- I-43 South to McKinley/Fond du Lac Avenue exit
- I-43 South to 11th Street exit

TO THE NORTH:

- Lincoln Memorial Drive entrance to I-794 West to I-43 North
- Jackson Street entrance ramp to I-794 West to I-43 North (Opens mid/late December)
- Clybourn Street west to 2nd Street entrance ramp to I-43 North
- Van Buren Street north to Kilbourn Avenue, west on Kilbourn Avenue to I-43 North
- Milwaukee Street north to Knapp Street, west on Knapp Street to McKinley Avenue, west on McKinley/Fond du Lac Avenue to I-43 North
- Michigan Street west to 10th Street, north on 10th Street to Highland Avenue, west on Highland Avenue to I-43 North

FROM THE SOUTH:

- I-43 North to I-794 East (SB) to Plankinton Avenue exit
- I-43 North to 10th and Michigan Street exit, east on Michigan Street
- I-794 West (NB) to Lincoln Memorial Drive exit
- I-43 North to National Avenue exit, east on National Avenue to 1st Street, north on 1st Street

TO THE SOUTH:

- Clybourn Street west to 2nd Street entrance ramp to I-43 South
- Jackson Street entrance ramp to I-794 West to I-43 South (Opens mid/late December)
- Lincoln Memorial Drive entrance to I-794 West to I-43 South
- Broadway entrance ramp to I-794 East (SB)
- Wisconsin Avenue west to 11th Street entrance ramp to I-43 South



10001 West Bluemound Road, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53226

General Information: (414) 256-5412

Main Office: (414) 771-3040

DOWNLOAD THE OFFICIAL MILWAUKEE COUNTY ZOO FREE PHONE APP NOW!

The Milwaukee County Zoo has launched its official phone app! Our app will help you plan your visit, make the best use of your time and navigate through our 200-acre grounds. It's available at the [Google Play store](#) and on [iTunes](#).

January 2015 Free Days

Milwaukee County residents with I.D.

\$12.00 parking fee still applies

January 1

January 3



Mitchell Park Horticultural Conservatory (The Domes)

524 S. Layton Blvd., Milwaukee, WI 53215

(414) 257-5611

FREE on Mondays*

9:00 AM-noon

For all Milwaukee County Residents with proof of residency, excludes major holidays and celebrations of major holidays.

Winter Farmer's Market
Saturdays Nov 1 - Apr 11



The Winter Farmers' Market will be held again this year at the Mitchell Park Domes, on Saturday mornings from November 1 through April 11 from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Shop local and select from a variety of fresh fruit, vegetables, dairy, bakery, poultry and meats all winter long.



Milwaukee Public Museum
800 W. Wells St.
Milwaukee, WI 53233
(414) 278-2728

Milwaukee County residents receive free general admission to the Milwaukee Public Museum on the first Thursday of every month through our Thank You Thursday program. Milwaukee County owns the museum facility and collections, and as a "thank you" to the County and its residents, we offer this opportunity for residents to visit us the first Thursday of every month without charge.

We also offer extended evening hours until 8:00 p.m. on every Thursday, so be sure to take advantage of our evening hours after work, school, or whatever your day may bring!

Adult residents must present valid photo identification showing Milwaukee County residency to receive free admission, and children must be accompanied by an adult showing proof of residency to receive free admission.

Residents of Milwaukee County will receive a \$2.00 discount on general admission every day in addition to free admission on Thank You Thursday. Mondays will become regular admission days at MPM, with Milwaukee County residents receiving the \$2.00 discount.



Kelly Senior Center

6100 S. Lake Dr., Cudahy WI 532110, 414-481-9611

Imagine that....I can write!

Tuesday, January 20, 10:00 a.m.

Everyone can put their thoughts and memories on paper. Come and explore this form of expression. Join us for this one-hour seminar that will explore the art of writing. Prompts and paper will be provided, just bring your imagination. All levels welcome.

Chair Yoga

Thursdays, starting January 8, 9:00 a.m.

Practice yoga sitting in a chair or standing using the chair for support. Chair yoga helps your balance, flexibility and improves your overall health.

Gentle Yoga

Thursdays, starting January 8, 10:30-11:45 a.m.

Fee: \$24/4 Weeks

Yoga improves balance and concentration and reduces stress. Gentle Yoga is safe for all ages, body types, and challenges can be adapted to improve anyone's fitness, starting right where you are now.

Music, Memory and the Mind

Presented by Franciscan Villa

Thursday, January 8, 10:00 a.m.

Preregistration Required

The Memory Chargers invite you to join them for a presentation exploring the power of music and its effect on memory and our brains.

Movie Time

Friday, January 16, 12:30 p.m.

This month's movie will be *The 100 Foot Journey*. The Kadam family leaves India for France where they open a restaurant directly across the road from Madame Mallory's Michelin-starred eatery.

Annual Mid-Winter Party - "That's Italian"

Wednesday, January 21, 12:00 p.m.

Fee: \$12

Enjoy a meal of mostaccioli and meatballs, tossed salad, house dressing and Italian bread and butter catered by *That's Amore*. Plus, Italian cookies and traditional holiday cake. A strolling musician will play Italian tunes and lead a sing-along. Mama mia! What a party!



Grobschmidt Senior Center

2424 15th Av., South Milwaukee, WI 53172, 768-8045



AARP Tax Counseling
Mondays, Feb. 2nd thru April 13th

Volunteers from AARP will once again be at the center filing 2014 tax forms electronically. As in the past, appointments are mandatory. The first appointment will be at 9:15 a.m. and the last appointment at 2:15 p.m. Appointments are 45 minutes in length. The volunteers are prepared to assist individuals or couples whose income consists of wages, salaries, interest, dividends, IRA distributions, pensions or annuities.

They are not permitted to assist persons with the following forms:

- Schedule A— (Itemized Deductions) noncash contributions over \$500
- Schedule C—(Business Profit and Loss) other than that allowed under C-EZ rules but up to \$10,000 expenses
- Complicated Schedule D or without proper paperwork (Capital Gains and Losses)
- Schedule E—(Rental Property) with expenses, including depreciation
- Schedule F—farm income or loss
- Schedule SE—self-employment tax
- Married couples filing separately

- “ Form 2106—(Employee Business Expense)
- “ Form 3903—(Moving Expenses)
- “ Form 888—(Allocation or Refund)
- “ Other rental income or business loss

We will begin taking appointments on Monday, January 5th.

Stockbox Program

Tuesday, January 27th, 2015

10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

The senior center is a distribution site for the Stock Box Program. The food distribution this month will take place on Tuesday, January 27th from 10:30-11:30 a.m. The stock boxes will be given out in the back parking lot with paperwork being filled out in the large hall area. The Stock Box Program is run by the Hunger Task Force, and does have some eligibility guidelines. Participants need to live in Milwaukee County, be at least 60 years of age, and have an income that is less than, or equal to the following: (Eligibility has increased slightly from previous months.)

| Household Size | 60 years of age |
|----------------|-----------------|
| 1 | \$1,265 |
| 2 | \$1,705 |
| 3 | \$2,144 |

For more information about this program, please talk with Sandy, read the brochures available at the senior center, or call 211. This institution is an “equal opportunity provider.”



Grant Park Watch & Friends of Grant Park

Thursday, January 8, 2015, 6:30 p.m.

Grant Park Clubhouse, 100 Hawthorne Avenue, South Milwaukee

Park Watch: 764-7262

Friends of Grant Park: 764-0612, www.fogp.org



Friends of Mill Pond meeting & Oak Creek Watercourse, Inc.

Tuesday, January 13, 2015, 6:30 p.m.

Marquette Manor, 2409 10th Ave., South Milwaukee

571-1191, www.smfomp.org



Cudahy Neighborhood Watch

Wednesday, January 28, 2015, 6:00 p.m.

Aurora St. Luke's South Shore Hospital (Lower Level Meeting Room)

5900 South Lake Drive, Cudahy

324-5531



Friends of Pulaski Park

Monday, January 19, 2015, 6:30 p.m.

Pulaski Park Pavilion

5400 S Swift Ave., Cudahy



Sheridan Park Friends

<https://sites.google.com/site/sheridanparkfriends/>

Sheridan Park Friends will hold its Annual Meeting and Tour of the newly decorated pavilion in Sheridan Park on Saturday, Jan. 17, 2015 at 9:30 a.m. Even if you are not currently a member of the Friends, you are invited to stop in to see the renewed pavilion and meet some great park supporters. Hot Coffee and treats will be served. Please contact Sylvia Gear (applegear0414@gmail.com) for more information or contact my office.



Aurora Saint Luke's South Shore
5900 S. Lake Drive, Cudahy, WI

Making a difference in your community!

Come join our volunteer team at Aurora St. Luke's South Shore and bring a smile to someone's day!

Volunteers needed to provide comfort and assistance to our patients and visitors.

Some of the volunteer opportunities we have are:

- AMBASSADORS (GREETERS)
- PATIENT COMPANIONS
- EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT LIAISONS

- VOLUNTEERS FOR OUR CARE CART

Please contact Michelle at michelle.tisljar@aurora.org or 262-329-4615 for an application.



Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

NO Board Meeting in January

February 5, 2015

901 N. 9th Street

Milwaukee, WI 53233

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